

Proposed Specification Amendment

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Please amend the paragraph starting on page 11, line 19, as follows:

An exemplary routine for setting up a system configuration file is now described with respect to the flow chart of **Figure 6**. As noted above, the system's attributes consist of ~~both static and dynamic~~ characteristics which are determined separately. In the general context, this system configuration file may also be referred to as a "node configuration file" as it represents the configuration for a system, which is presumed to be one node in a larger network sharing files from several remote servers.